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SUBJECT: PM MANLEY'S VISIT TO MEXICO

REFS: (A) MEXICO 5878 (NOTAL); (B) KINGSTON 2495;  
(C) KINGSTON 181

1. PM MANLEY ON HIS RETURN FROM MEXICO ANNOUNCED THE SIGNATURE OF A MARITIME COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH MEXICO WHICH WILL RESULT IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JAMAICAN MERCHANT FLEET NAMED SEA JAMAICA. OWNERSHIP WILL BE 75 PERCENT GOJ AND 25 PERCENT TRANSPORTACIO MARITIMA MEXICANA (TMM).

2. TMM WILL ASSIST THE GOJ IN ADMINISTRATION OF THE COMPANY, ACT AS SHIPPING ADVISERS, AND INITIALLY WILL  
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PROVIDE OFFICERS FOR THE SHIPS WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY

TRAINING JAMAICAN OFFICERS TO REPLACE THEM. OPERATIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NOVEMBER 1, 1975 WITH TWO VESSELS ON TIME CHARTER FOR FROM SIX TO NINE MONTHS. THEY WILL CARRY BAUXITE BETWEEN JAMAICA AND THE GULF PORTS. ACCORDING TO TRANSPORT MINISTER BELL THE CHARTERS WILL BE REPLACED BY TWO 35,000 TON BULK CARGO CARRIERS WHICH JAMAICA WILL PURCHASE AT A COST OF \$8 MILLION EACH. SEA JAMAICA WILL OPERATE AS A COMPLEMENTARY LINE TO NAMUCAR AND THE WISCO LINE

3. LOCAL PRESS SUMMARIES OF THE COMMUNIQUE SIGNED AT THE END OF THE VISIT REPORT THAT PEMEX EXPERTS WILL BE ARRIVING IN JAMAICA TO EVALUATE OIL EXPLORATION REPORTS PREPARED BY VARIOUS CORPORATIONS AS WELL AS EXPLORE SOURCES OF OFFSHORE OIL. NO MENTION, HOWEVER, IS MADE OF MEXICO SUPPLYING JAMAICA WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND PETROLEUM ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF ITS REFINERIES (REF A). JAMAICA HAS ONLY ONE REFINERY AND ITS OPERATION IS TOTALLY IN HANDS OF QUALIFIED JAMAICANS WORKING FOR ESSO. REFERENCE TO REFINERIES IN MEXICAN ANNOUNCEMENT SEEMS TO INDICATE MEXICANS MAY HAVE INSIDE TRACK TO DO DESIGN AND ENGINEERING WORK ON LONG TALKED ABOUT LUANA OIL REFINERY WHICH IS PLANNED FOR WESTERN END OF ISLAND.

4. MOST NOTEWORTHY ASPECT MANLEY VISIT, IF LOCAL PRESS ACCOUNTS ACCURATE, WAS CURSORY, LOW-KEY TREATMENT OF JAMAMEX IN COMMUNIQUE. "DAILY NEWS" ARTICLE STATES: "AS FAR AS THE JOINT VENTURE IN BAUXITE, ALUMINA AND ALUMINUM PROJECT WAS CONCERNED COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE ADVANCED STAGE OF THE PREPARATIONS". IN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ON RETURN, MANLEY GAVE UPBEAT INTERPRETATION OF COMMUNIQUE, STATING PLANS WERE ON SCHEDULE AND THAT CONSTRUCTION WOULD BEGIN NEXT YEAR.

5. COMMENT IF JAVAMEX IS ON SCHEDULE IT MUST BE A NEW ONE, FOR MANLEY HIMSELF ANNOUNCED EARLIER THIS YEAR (REF C) THAT HE HOPED CONSTRUCTION IN BOTH MEXICO AND JAMAICA WOULD BEGIN "DURING THE SECOND HALF OF THIS YEAR". GERARD  
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